

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place" Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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The Lord Said "I Will Never Leave Nor Forsake Thee"

The Church of God

"I am the way the truth and the life"
"I will build my church"

The Church of God Acts 20:28.
The Church of Christ Rom. 16:16.
The Church of God 1 Cor. 1:2.
The Church of God 1 Cor. 10:32.
The Church of God 2 Cor. 1:1.
The Church of God Gal. 1:13.
The Church of God 1 Thes. 2:4.
The Church of God 1 Tim. 3:5.
The Church of God 1 Tim. 3:15.
The Church of God is the pillar and the ground of the truth. 1 Tim. 3:15.
The Church of God is the body of Christ. 1 Cor. 12:27.
The Church of God is the Bride of Christ. Rev. 20:9.
Christ loved her and gave Himself for her. Eph. 5:25.
Christ is the head of the body. Col. 1:18.
She is to be a glorious Church, without spot or wrinkle. Eph. 5:27.
She has many members, yet but one body. 1 Cor. 12:12.
God sets the members in the body as it pleaseth Him. 1 Cor. 12:28.
The Church of God is a literal body, having a literal head. JESUS.
She has regular recognized officials. 1 Cor. 12:27.
God makes known His wisdom to us by the Church. Eph. 3:10.
The Church of God is a source of glory. Eph. 3:21.
The Church of God is subject to Christ in everything. Eph. 5:24.
The Church of God is a persecuted body, as her head. Eph. 5:32.
We become followers of the Church of God. 1 Thes. 2:14.
The Church of God is the house of God. 1 Thes. 3:15.
The Church of God should not bear financial changes. 1 Tim. 5:16.
She, the Church, is a constant praise to God, in song. Heb. 2:12.
She, the Church of God composes the General Assembly. Heb. 12:23.
The Elders of the Church of God have official recognition. Jas. 5:14.
The pastors of the Church of God are "Stars" of honor. Rev. 1:20.
The Spirit of God speaks through His Church, honoring truth. Rev. 2:17.
Jesus testifies through His Church to the world. Rev. 22:16.
The Church of God is the House of God, and is to be recognized by God in heaven. Rev. 22:17.
She is a glorious Church without spot or wrinkle, washed in the blood of the Lamb. Eph. 5:27.
I was asked by a lady to give her everything I could find in the Bible about the Church of God, and I thought others might want the same information, so here it is.—M. S. Lemons.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO EVANGELISTS

Now is the time to renew your credentials. You should send them at once so you may have them ready by the first of the year 1928.

Please give your address on the back. Also state whether you are pastoring a church. Also please remember that we send your credentials to your State Overseer for his signature. He then forwards them to you. If you don't get them in a reasonable time correspond with us. Sometimes they may get lost.—F. J. Lee.

BELIEVES IN THE CHURCH OF GOD

BLACKSBURG, S. C.—Sometime ago I wrote an article to the Evangel telling of how the Lord has healed in our home. My wife was real bad off, she had flu and could not rest at all. I went for the Elders of the Church to come and pray for her and anoint with oil, according to the Word. We prayed and anointed with oil in Jesus' name. The saints did not have to kneel before the Lord touched her body, we just stood around the bed and rebuked the demons and God healed her right then and there. She got up and began eating, for which we praise the Lord.

At another time my baby was poisoned, or seemed to be. Some recommended one thing and some another, but we know who to call on for our help, so we just hung right on to God and He healed my baby. Glory to God, who has done so much for us.

I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, trusting the Lord for the healing of my body and a member of the great Church of God. Some people think that the Church of God is not an organization, they think when we get the Holy Ghost we are members of the Church then, but I do not think so. According to what the Word says we find in Acts 9:21 "But all that heard him were amazed, and said: Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?" We see and know that Paul had to join or be joined to the disciples. We notice that Paul tried to join himself to the disciples, but you see the disciples had something to say about this. There would be more members in the Church today if it were not for the disciples having something to do with it. The disciples back in those days wanted to know whether Paul had repented or not before they would take him in the Church. They knew what kind of a fellow he had been and so we as Church of God people ought to know the same today about people we take into the Church. Some people say that the Lord adds you to the Church. Amen. The Lord fed the five thousand too, but He gave the bread to His disciples and His disciples gave it to the crowd. The Lord works through His people today just like He did back then. The Lord told Peter that He would give him the keys of the kingdom of heaven, not a key, but keys. The Lord knew that the time had come for Him to leave His people and He had to leave them in someone's care that would be faithful and knew how to take care of them.—Your brother in Christ.—B. T. Sprouse, Box No. 114.

NOTICE

Brother T. F. Blackwell, 2009 Empire St., Joplin, Mo., states that he is pastoring at Joplin, and anyone wishing to write him can reach him at the address given above.

Reuben H. Martin, wishes to inform the public that his address is changed from that of Oconee, Ga., to Phenix City, Ala., Box No. 21.

THE NEW BIRTH A MIRACLE

Robert Hill

"A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh, and I will put my spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgements and do them."—Ezek. 36:26-27.

The direct promise of this text was to God's chosen people, though its chief application is to the New Testament age. Ezekiel, first a priest, then a prophet, wrote from the captivity of Babylon, so the prophet saw the day when Babylon, then treated as a unit, would become Scripturally, the individual of today and Babylon would become Spiritual rather than geographical, and each and every individual would go or stay away as he was fitted. The same fact applies to Egypt which once held the people in bondage, the good and the bad, from which one could not escape by himself. But thank God now Egypt is Spiritual and each individual is at liberty to observe his first passover, beat a triumphant retreat out of the bondage of sin, and put the Red Sea of New Testament conversion between himself and his taskmaster. Praise God for the NEW HEART of our text.

God's chosen people in those days were only those whom He had chosen as a nation, but now He takes every single son and daughter of Adam's lost race, if He can get them to come for a new heart.

There are undoubtedly more people in the churches of today (including ours) in the captivity of Babylon than there are in the bondage of Egypt, because they have passed out of bondage and have been taken into captivity by the worldly things of this life. There are many thousands who are in bondage yet, having never been converted. It is sadly true that the usual methods of getting people into the church, and habits of thinking of the NEW BIRTH, results in myriads of respectable and conscientious people in the number calling themselves Christians and yet they are absolutely untouched by the saving GRACE of God. They have chosen God, and are chosen of Him in a way, and the promise of our text is to them and for them, but for lack of proper understanding of the promises and chiefly because the doctrine of regeneration for the individual HEART has not been brought out clearly to them, they are strangers to the miracle of the NEW BIRTH. They are strangers to the miracle of the regeneration with its inward witness. The new birth is a miracle. When Jesus Christ talked with Nicodemus He taught him that a man must be born again. To a man outside of Judaism, seeking the way of life eternal, such leaders as Nicodemus was, He didn't hesitate to give definite instructions. Hear him, "Ye must be born again," ye MUST be. He became a proselyte of the gate, observing the seven rules of ordinances, devotion, reverence, chastity, mercy, honesty, and humanitarianism, coming down from Noah. He also becomes "proselyte of justice," joining the Jewish Church and receiving its ordinances including a ceremonial washing which was typical of his passage from the impurities of his heathen life to the wholesome cleanliness of pure Christian religion. It was coming from one world to another, so to speak, when a man became a proselyte of justice; but it was all an idea of externals which was, and is, good as far as it goes, but it doesn't go far enough. So the Lord forcibly taught Nicodemus the truth, that a man MUST be BORN again. Yea that he must not only be born of water, becoming a consistent member of the Church, but also of the Spirit. "BORN FROM ABOVE!" Ye MUST be BORN again.

The new birth is a divine work; it truly is a miracle, but nevertheless a true and conscious fact to the new born babes in Christ. It cannot come by schooling or any scientific or religious formula. No wonder the second rate philosopher has staggered at results of the new birth, when he has been brought face to face with facts he could not deny. Some say that our supposed change of heart is just merely a superstition, they say it is contrary to mental science for a man hardened with the habits of sinful, degenerated life to be changed in-

wardly in a month, or an hour, yes in a moment to a happy, hilarious, God intoxicated, holy child of the King. But I have proved that science is wrong to my entire satisfaction. We now love the things we had neglected for years, and hate the things we had indulged in and adored for a lifetime. Hallelujah! The new HEART of our text is a miracle. Look at Mary Magdalene, possessed with seven devils, afterward a devoted humble follower of the Nazarene. Look at the man among the tombs possessed with legions of devils, at home shouting and praising God for freedom and telling the home folks about the greatest Holiness preacher that ever walked the shores of Galilee.

I have heard men trying to preach Holiness who could no more preach on the new birth and a new heart than a parrot could sing "Jesus Lover Of My Soul." Too many are trying to preach the Holy Ghost baptism to sinners (and they seem to get a few thru in that way) who know nothing of this new birth. I have met a number of Holiness professors who could not tell me where and when the change was made; they had no definite knowledge of the heavenly birth and the NEW HEART. The same way with some men trying to preach on the BLOOD cure for sin and then simply haven't the experience. A man can't climb above his experience. He may holler the NEW BIRTH, he may holler the BLOOD, but it is one thing to say a testimony and another thing to possess the blessing. The common run of preaching today, is to make a noise and kill time and if the new birth and the blood cure is ever mentioned, it is only in a casual way, just speaking in the air.

There is a class of church goers who are so formal that they say a sudden change of the heart, if it occurs at all, is an accident, but there is no accident with God. I had a man to tell me recently that he never knew the taste of intoxicants, never swore an oath, was always truthful, never had a difficulty with his fellowman; he has a perfect record, he is clean outwardly and morally and he says, why should I be lost? what have I done that God will refuse my entrance to heaven? You may rear your children in this manner, which is good as far as it goes, but I said to this fine young man, unless you are BORN again and from ABOVE, have the miracle of this DIVINE work wrought in your heart, you are just as much lost as a bank robber or a horse thief. Outward morality and a religious profession is the order of the day. You may reform, resolve, vow and go to church regularly, and do and just keep on doing, but without this miracle performed in your very life and soul, you are no more a child of God than you are the Prince of Wales. When you experience the new heart in the text, tho' you haven't been professing all these years, the critic will see that there is a wonder performed in your soul which is beneath the surface, yea, the miracle of GRACE is within your HEART; a fountain of JOY and PEACE will break forth that a thousand earthly fortunes can not induce to turn you to serve again the things you once loved. Oh Glory! there is an inward witness which fills and thrills the entire being with a perfect heart knowledge of the things of God. You believed them before, while you were morally good, because of the collateral evidence with which you had been surrounded and while you were outwardly righteous you could get some consolation from these facts, you could make self partially satisfied because of your profession and activity in religious circles, but now when God gives the NEW HEART, you KNOW your Redeemer liveth. We know that we have passed from death unto life and Christ abideth in us. We speak no longer our opinion or what we have heard, but we are witnesses ourselves. Then we are true witnesses, the courts of the land will allow a witness to tell only what he knows about a case and not what he has heard. Oh say brother, what do you know about the miracle of the NEW BIRTH?

Many today are able to sustain their profession to Christ without a change of HEART, and it is easy for (Continued on page three)

FOUND THE REAL CHURCH AT LAST

CLAYTON, Mo.—I thank God for a full and free salvation. I am saved, sanctified and on fire for my blessed Savior. Hallelujah!

I love Jesus supremely above anything in this world, and am standing four-square for the dear old Church of God with headquarters at Cleveland, Tennessee. I have tried every kind of religion there is except Christian Science and Romanism. The only reason I did not try those two is because I knew there was nothing to them, but when I found the dear old Church of God I was truly satisfied because I knew it was the real Bride of Christ as in Acts 20:28. When I married my wife I did not want her to take the name of Smith or Jones, but just the name of "Robbins." So it is with the Church of God. God does not want His Church to have a handle to it. I thought the Original Church of God was the real church until May 12, 1926 when I found that I was mistaken.

I ask your prayers that God will fill me with the Holy Ghost and fire. I should like to correspond with some of our young men.—Warren Robbins, 7 Lee Avenue.

BEHOLD THE PROGRESS OF HIS CHURCH

FESSENDEN, Fla.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for what the Lord is doing for me. Brother and Sister Thompson and myself are running a revival at Fessenden and we ask your prayers for the success of this meeting. The Lord has certainly proven His power in Divine Healing to me in a wonderful way. I was almost at death's door a few days ago, but the saints held on to God for me and the Lord wonderfully healed me. The Lord has promised if we abide in Him and He in us we may ask what we will and it shall be done unto us. I truly believe Brother and Sister Thompson are abiding in His Word because He is certainly honoring their efforts in His Cause. They are pastoring the work at Center Hill, and have just closed a revival in which forty received the Holy Ghost and came into the Church of God. Pray for us.—Ethel Waites.

NOTICE TO PASTORS

You have noticed the article in the paper on tithes illustrated with a cut at the head. We have arranged to put this out in tract form. You should get a supply for your church.

We feel that your membership will tithe if they can understand that tithing belongs more especially to the Gospel dispensation.

Brother Latimer has put them down at a very low price, only twenty-five cents a hundred. This includes wrapping and mailing.

We want to insist that every pastor sees that his membership is supplied with these tracts.—F. J. Lee.

HAD TO FORSAKE MOTHER AND HOME

Though Loved Ones Reject Us, Jesus Will Never

WINTER HAVEN, Fla.—I wish to sound a note of praise to my blessed Savior for what He really means to me tonight. About one and one-half years ago I raised up on my bed to get up in the morning, the Lord said to me "Today is the day of your salvation," and that morning in the altar the Lord wonderfully saved my soul from the awful pits of hell. With justification I was not satisfied, I wanted the precious blood of the Lamb applied to my soul. In October at the camp meeting the dear Lord sanctified my soul and took out of me the thing that made me do and say the things I should not, then He wonderfully baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues and He gave me the faith to trust Him for the healing of my body. Though I have gone through some real tests,

NOTE WHAT GOD IS DOING IN FLORIDA

McALPIN, Fla.—I surely want to thank the Lord for a little band of saints at McAlpin, Fla., and of how they are doing their best for God. They do not have any preaching there only as the Holy Ghost leads, but have a wonderful Sunday School. Brother L. C. Davis of O'Brien is their Bible Teacher and he can certainly give some good thoughts on the Bible.

There was not a Sunday School in that little town, so Sister Effie Lee decided to go up there and see if they could (by Sister Gardner's help) get a Sunday School started. They secured the service of Brother Davis for teaching the Bible Class for them and we can sure see where it has been a help to that place. God bless them. Everyone pray for that place where where about fifty are enrolled. Written by one who loves that place also the Church.—A friend.

Was a Presbyterian For Seventeen Years

CORSICANA, Tex.—I promised the Lord if He would heal me while sick in bed, I would try to write my testimony to the Evangel.

I was a Presbyterian for nearly seventeen years, and living in all the light I had, when Sister Mollie L. Wilson came to this oil field preaching the Gospel of pure salvation. I was sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and joined the Church of God. My husband and two little girls were also saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost.

Truly we have something to praise the Lord for. Since my husband and I have been in this way, his father, seventy-three years of age, has received light on the Church of God and has been sanctified. He is now seeking the Holy Ghost.

Our little church is doing fine, although the field is dying down and some of our members are laid off and are leaving. We have twenty-four members and are expecting some more to join soon.

I want to request the prayers of the saints that I may be healed, made well and strong and that I may stay in the center of the Lord's will.—Mrs. Winnie Humphries.

Determined To Go All The Way

WINTER GARDEN, Fla.—I want to thank God and praise Him for all His goodness and kindness to me. I thank Him for being sweetly saved from an awful life of sin, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and am determined to go all the way regardless of the cost.

God is able to keep us wherever we may be. He is watching us at all times. He protects us from all harm and danger, and from the snares of the world. I desire an interest in your prayers.—Lula McFarland.

APRIL EIGHTH

Will Not Be Too Late To Finish The Drive

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

Some write that they expect to get their quota by February. Some make different suggestions about the affair, but I feel that every State Overseer and Pastor is going to do their best to have their churches rally to this urgent need.

I am going to suggest a definite date to work to. Let the pastors get in touch with each of his members and take a subscription to be paid on Easter Sunday, April 8, 1928. They will have four months to pay their subscription. This would be only 25 cents a month. I am sure that we do not have a member that could not pay this much. Some will say, "times are so hard we can't pay one dollar a head." That man or woman that says they can't pay 25 cents a month for four months doubtless spends more than that for foolishness or something they could do without. Let us remember that the drive

should close the 8th day of April.

Brother Grant's Town of Bahamas says: "I am very grateful for the suggestion that all the Church of God members pay one dollar each to pay off the debt. Every one ought to feel good to rally to this call as this is the first call since the great struggle was on."

I am sure that these dear people, though many of them are very poor, will rally with their part of the load.

Brother Rahey, State Overseer of South Carolina, is greatly encouraged with his work and has great hope for success the coming year. He said that they are going to do their best to raise their quota of the dollar a member drive.

While others have not written as to what the prospects are, I have great faith and hope that each state is coming with a full quota.

Bible Training School

of Cleveland, Tennessee

T. S. PAYNE, Superintendent

FROM THE LONE STAR STATE

LEONARD, Tex.—I am still praising the Lord for salvation. He is so good to me, I want to love Him more. I also praise Him for the Bible School. The other day when our Evangel came, the first thing I looked for was the student's letters. When I read Sister Annie Walker's letter I just said to cry when I noticed what she said about dear Sister Moore and the former students. I laid the paper aside, thought I would read a little at a time. I'm so glad to see the names of new students, and I am not surprised to hear you say you are liking school. I am made to believe that the same Lord that blessed us in school last term is blessing you folks there now, and I also believe the same old devil that came to school a few times last year will be there this year, trying to discourage some of you, but I have found out by reading a few of your letters that you have your trust in Jesus, and if you will only keep your trust in Him the devil will be defeated and you will be in school at the close of the term. Please let me help you thank the Lord for your good teachers, they were so good and kind to us the terms I attended.

As this is Friday night I have been wondering who was on program to preach this afternoon. I know God blest you. One that loves God and His cause.—Cleo Wood.

59 STUDENTS UNITE IN PRAYER, DEVIL HAS TO GO

I want to sound a note of praise to thank my dear Redeemer. I have a song in my heart. "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases." Psa. 103:1-3.

I am so glad I am in the Bible School, enjoying the good things of the Lord. My, when fifty-nine unite in prayer, there is no room for the devil. We pray six times a day in the school room and oh, God's sweet Spirit is here. Praise His dear name, I feel like shouting right now. Pray for me and the school, that the Lord may continue to bless.—Sister Marie Marks Tiedman.

HEALED OF CHILLS

DAVENPORT, Ark.—I want to write a few words of praise for the Lord. I want to praise Him for His wonderful healing power.

Our little girl had chills this summer every other day for over three weeks. Sometimes after a chill, she would turn green and looked like a dead child. We would pray for her, but she did not seem to get any better only while praying. We sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse, but it was several weeks before we got it back, so I wrote Brother Lee for prayer and before we heard from either she was healed, and looks as well today as ever. We give our blessed Savior all the praise. We trusted the Lord and never gave any medicine. We have been in the Church of God for over six years. Husband and I are both saved, sanctified and have the Holy Ghost and trust the Lord for our bodies. We need your prayers here at this place. We are trying to build a church building; have the lumber and land both. Pray for us that we may have complete victory here at this place.—Mrs. E. L. Baker.

Healed of Pellagra

NEW ALBANY, Miss.—I want to sound a note of praise to God thru the dear Evangel. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify to it. While reading the testimonies of others being healed by laying on this paper, I told God all about it, and I said, Lord I know all about it, I know you have no respect of person. You healed others though faith by laying on the Evangel. Now Jesus if you are going to heal me, let every pain, all soreness, all itching be gone in the morning. Thank the Lord, I laid the paper on my body and went to sleep. When I awoke I did not have a pain, all the soreness and the itching was gone.

I have kept my promise to the Lord. I know He is able to do all things. He has healed me, and if you are afflicted with the same trouble the Lord will heal you too.

I want to say that I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I find joy in serving the Lord. Pray much for me that I may endure unto the end.—Emma Golden.

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For The

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Thank You

PRAY, SING AND SHOUT IN BIBLE SCHOOL

Dear friends, I want to praise the Lord because I am a member of the Church of God, also a member of the Bible school where the Lord is blessing in a wonderful way.

We pray, sing and shout when we study the Word of God. If there is anything we do not understand, we remember that in James 1:5 it says "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God."

I would like to say to those who have never been to the Bible School, that on Friday afternoon you are invited to come. I am quite sure that one trip to the Friday afternoon service would convince you that it is worth while to hear the students speak, and see the manifestations of His love.

I shall never forget the way the Lord has blessed me. It is often thought of, and sometimes mentioned. We, the students of the Bible School, feel as Moses did when he was told, "put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." Exod. 3:6—Your sister who desires prayer, Maude McWhorter, Atlanta, Ga.

FOUND A SCHOOL WHERE GOD IS REVERENCED

Dear Evangel readers, as I have been selected to write a piece for the Evangel, I wish first to express my appreciation to all who are undoubtedly praying for the school (as we feel the effects of your prayers) not only that, but helping to support it by sending students who would not be able to finance themselves.

I am very sure that there has been much sacrificing of the parents to send their boys and girls to this noble institution. I am certain that your denials and sacrificings will not be regretted after you have seen the results of the noble teaching they receive. I know of no school on earth as Spiritual as the "Church of God Bible Training School."

Often in my fond imaginations, I tried to picture what it would be like to attend a school where God was revered and worshipped. Thank God we've found it.

I desire the prayers of all praying people that I will ever hold up the One who has done so much for me.—I am your brother in Christ, Hubert Flowers, Marion, N. C.

NO TIME TO GET HOMESICK

Twice they left me and twice they found me. They come and go, but still I stay. In fact, I haven't wanted to go away.

This is my third term without leaving and the longer I stay, the worse I hate to leave, for this seems like "Home Sweet Home" to me.

The summer is hot, the winter is cold, but the Spiritual atmosphere in the schoolroom is the most pleasant of all.

We pray six times a day in the schoolroom, besides morning and night. Now don't you see what I'm trying to tell you about?

It seems like Heaven blends low at times, and kisses the clouds and trials away. Especially when we try to preach, we tremble, shake and prepare to give the devil a rake.

We study from 8:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m., from 6:00 to 9:00 p. m., five nights each week. We go to church the other two nights, so you see we don't have time to get homesick.

The only day we have to rest is Saturday and that's the day we do our washing, starching, ironing, pressing, mending and making.

You can imagine what kind of a time we have. We don't have much time to think of you, but we don't want you to forget us in your prayers and when school is out, some of us may come to see you. We can tell you more about the school then.—W. S. Jackson.

Had a Good Meeting

W. HELENA, Ark.—I want to praise the Lord for ever sending Brother J. W. Johnson to West Helena to hold a few days meeting in this town. We had a good meeting and the Lord blest Brother Johnson. The people of this place were glad to have him with us.

We extend a hearty welcome to any Church of God Minister who is standing for Truth and Right to come to this place and preach the Word of God. May God help us to do all that we can for Him at this place. Pray for us.—J. C. Youngblood, P. O. Box 306.

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these folks to deceive themselves in to fictitious worship and continue in that condition and finally be lost. Many no doubt, go on in this half-hearted way so long that when they do find where they are, they are so proud they won't admit it, saying to themselves, I could not afford to go back and seek the blessing now after being so actively engaged in religious activities all this time. What would people say about me? I will ask you, what will God do about it at the last day?

Brother preachers, there is a remedy for this half-hearted worship, but only a continuous stage of the most heart searching sermons from the pulpit will cause them to see their heart's condition and seek after higher things than they have obtained, and awaken them to the fact that they are living under the old covenant rather than the new, with its NEW SPIRIT. This is sadly true in our own circles right where the doctrine of the new birth is correctly held, but many have failed to get the experience of the new birth and are trying to build upon a sandy foundation. You cannot build a sanctified life on an unconverted, unregenerated HEART. Here is the cause of so many falling away from a Holiness profession. It takes the supernatural in religion to satisfy and keep from the pit of sin. The New Testament regeneration is a resurrection of faculties, love, joy, peace, consolation, sympathy, hope and appreciation of each other. Yes, it finds fountains of emotions which we never suspected were in the soul. It takes the stone out of our breasts, sanctifies our conclusions and gives LOVE for holy things, then we sing, "Oh the rapturous height of that holy delight, which I felt in the life-giving BLOOD! Of my Savior possessed I was perfectly blessed as if filled with the fullness of God." Again we sing, "Amazing Grace how sweet the sound, to save a wretch like me, I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see."

Real heavenly joy will bring conviction to sinners when the Church is blessed and happy under the Spirit's blessings, in a way that no argument or sermon could affect and one by one they will yield to its influence and seek the Christ whose mercy and truth is back of real joy produced by the Spirit's blessings. Heavenly joy is contagious, happy hearts make happy hearts. The world does not need a church given to levity or human cheerfulness, but it will hail with ovation, the coming of a church that is happy in God. This is the joy that makes them strong; this is the joy that makes believers steadfast; this is the joy that is still there when you get up at morning; this is the joy that does not leave in one night. Nay you need not be afraid you will lose it when you go to conference or to town. This heavenly joy in the church will surely give an old time revival with a mighty sweep of melting glory.

Healed and Shouted Victory

ODUM, Ga.—I thank God for one day showing me that I was lost and condemned, but now I want to thank Him for salvation, for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and on my way to Glory, and by the help of God I am going all the way for some day I am expecting to see Him just as He is.

I want to thank God for His healing power. The writer took his truck and carried several of the saints to see Sister Brown, a lady who was sick, and while we prayed the power of God fell and the Sister was healed and shouted. She was not expected to be alive very long, but thanks be to God, she is still alive.

I ask the prayers of all the saints to pray for us that this will be the most prosperous year in the Church of God at Odum, Ga. We have prayer meeting every Wednesday night, Sunday School every Sunday and preaching twice a month.

Saints we cannot live too close to our God, nor can we pray too much, but we can live so close that we can have joy in our souls every day. Pray for me.—A. G. Carroll.

EARNEST APPEAL FOR PRAYER

RAVENNA, Ky.—I want to praise the Lord through the columns of the Evangel for what He has done for me. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost which still abides.

I praise Him for His great power to heal. He has healed in our family many times, one time of which I will mention: Last winter our baby had something like eczema, his little face and head was almost a solid mass of sores. We fasted and prayed, also had the saints to pray and the Lord healed him. Bless His dear name! Now it looks as if the devil is about to afflict him again with the same disease, as his face is broken out with little pimples.

I desire an interest in the prayers of all the saints that God will not allow this to come back on him again. Your sister in Christ Jesus.—Mrs. Travis Daniel, Box No. 374.

JOY COMETH IN THE MORNING

THOMASVILLE, Ala.—I want to praise Him for His wonderful love to all who really seek Him with the whole heart He will be found of them. I want to sound a special note of praise and thanksgiving to my precious Savior through the dear Evangel for sweet deliverance from the fiery furnace of affliction. Through faith in His name He has lifted me up again from the very gates of death, but it is no miracle after all, when we know that Jesus holds the key to hell and death. O glory to the matchless name of God. No wonder the people of God cannot help singing praises and shouting glory, hallelujah to Jesus. We have more to praise Him for than any people under Heaven. The blessed Holy Ghost within keeps the sunlight of God's love bubbling up in our souls and we love the Lover of our souls, but with all the joy and peace we enjoy there are worries, trials, temptations and troubles as we all know along the way, but thanks be to God the Comforter is always ready to speak words of cheer to our fainting hearts as He so sweetly manifests His blessed presence in the innermost chamber of our Lord.

I am glad the Church of God is moving on from victory to victory. Every storm she has encountered increases her joy and speed, and after the billows cease to roll so high she sweetly glides along on the bosom of God's love and power, and as faith increases she is ready for every battle that would assail her as she comes forth fair as the morning, brighter than the noon-day sun, for the gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church of God. Matt. 16:18.

Hear the command God gave to Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark. He obeyed and was saved from physical death and today the living ark—Christ Jesus stands with the same sweet invitation "Come unto me and be saved from eternal death" and there is no other way, but through the door into the living ark—Jesus the Son of God.

If we try to climb up some other way, we are thieves and robbers. Ah, dear unsaved souls, who are tempted and tossed, hasten to the ark of safety: put on the whole armour of God and anchor in the beautiful Church of God. Labor, watch and pray for the return of Jesus for His Bride and sail away on clouds of glory to feast at the marriage supper of the Lamb to ever be with the Lord. All who read this little article that can reach up and get hold of the Lord in prayer, please pray that God in His mercy will send us a Shepherd here in the little town of Thomasville to feed the little flock of eight, who would be Church of God material if there was a church set in order here. This is comparatively a new field and we need help. Brother Luther Richard held two meetings here last summer and the Word was given out in its purity, truth and power. Two received the Holy Ghost and many were really convinced that this was the true Gospel which our Master preached Himself while on earth.

We have no place for meeting only in a big grove, but an ideal place in warm weather. Our little band meets each Wednesday afternoon in some of our homes and has a blessed little prayer service—keeping the little flame alive and burning in our souls till someone answers the Macedonian call and will come over and help us rescue the perishing. Remember us dear friends in your prayers and again I want to praise my dear Lord for healing my weak and afflicted body. Weeping may endure for the night but joy cometh in the morning.—Mrs. J. W. Lowery.

Miraculously Healed of Chills and Fever

DREW, Miss.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for God's wonderful healing power. There were two of my children and myself down with chills and fever at one time. We called the saints to come in and pray for us. I was healed, the Lord only suffered me to have three chills, but the little girls were not healed right then. We carried them over near Cleveland, Miss., where we could be near the saints and a revival was in progress there. Many prayers were sent up in their behalf, but seemingly to no avail. In the meantime my son took chills and fever, but was healed right away also was saved from sin. After we had gone back home I felt led to send a handkerchief to Brother Rouse. One of them was healed before the handkerchief returned, while the other one only had one chill after it returned. Shortly afterwards one night after we had come home one of the boys got under conviction so greatly he could not rest and asked me to send some of the brethren and sisters to have prayer and sing, but while we were talking a car load drove up and came in. We had prayer and the Lord began blessing. This boy was saved and sanctified that night. I beg the prayers of the saints that we may hold out faithful and that our other two boys may come into the fold before it is too late.—Mrs. Della and John Webster.

THANK GOD FOR VICTORY

KANSAS CITY, Kan.—I want to praise God for victory through the Comforter. Thank God. I am a member of the Church of God which is the body of Christ.

We praise God for Brother Moreland. He and his wife were with us in a few days meeting, and God wonderfully used him in giving out the Word. Many have seen the light on the Church of God. Brother Moreland opened the doors of the Church and three new members came in, and five others came by transfer. The writer was chosen here. There is a goodly number of saints here, and I want to say I love the folks here; they seem to love me.

We are looking to God for greater things at this place to be done. We covet your prayers that we may march together as one band around the walls of sin until we see God work in a mighty way.—C. E. Banks, 716 South 5th St.

It Is Wonderful The Things God Can Do

RISING FAWN, Ga.—I love the Church of God Evangel. I have been ill most all the summer and was not able to attend church, but the dear paper comes to me each week, and it has proven a blessing to me.

I have been impressed to tell some of the things God has done for me. I was ill and I prayed to God to heal me, and He heard my prayers for which I give Him all the praise, honor and glory. I never can thank Him enough for what He has done for me. It is wonderful the way the Lord hears and answers our prayers when we trust Him.

I am a member of the Baptist Church, but I believe in holiness. I want all who read this to pray that I may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, also pray for my unsaved husband and loved ones who are out in sin.

Let us all pray that God will give us a home of prayer. We should confess our faults one to another that we may be healed of our afflictions. We should also forgive our brethren and sisters as the Lord told us to do if we live a pleasing life for the Lord.

I want to stay humble at the feet of Jesus and be ready at all times to do His will. Pray for me.—C. V. Hatfield.

DESIRE TO DO GOD'S WILL

CENTERVILLE, Ind.—I want to sound a note of praise for the dear Lord for what He has done for me. He saved and sanctified me through His precious blood, and I am tarrying for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I ask the prayers of all the saints to pray that I may get in the center of the Lord's will.

I am praising Him because we trust Him in our home for both soul and body. A few weeks ago my husband prayed to the Lord to heal me of catarrh of the head and throat, and He healed me, but I failed to testify to it and it came back on me. I told the Lord if He would take it all away I would testify, and He did. Praise His dear name. He has healed my husband many times too. My husband has the Holy Ghost. We are not members of the Church of God, but we believe it is the real Church. I intend to become a member soon. We do not have a Church here, and we drive from forty to fifty miles to be in His Church.

Pray for us that we may be in that number when the saints go marching in. Praise His dear name.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Inez Kaucher.

Ask And It Shall Be Given

ROCK SOUND, Fla., Bahamas—I praise God that this wonderful salvation reached even me. In 1926 my face was afflicted, but God wonderfully healed me by the laying on of the Evangel.

I am saved and sanctified and desire the prayers of the saints that God will bestow upon me the gift of the Holy Ghost. My husband is saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We are determined to go thru.

There are only a few in Rock Sound, but praise His precious name, we are lifting the banner. We have no place to worship except in our home. Many hearts are stirred, both white and colored, and are looking this way. We have a little church started and the way seems a little hard, but thanks be to Him who said, "Ask and it shall be given."—Mrs. Louise Hall.

DESIRE TO MEET GOD IN PEACE

ODUM, Ga.—As I sit and remember that just four years ago the good Lord poured out His Holy Spirit on me and took my old body and renewed it over again, healing my diseases and put a new mind in me.

When I look around and see so many who have not found the way of life, will say there are many bitter tears that I shed. I know we are all going to meet judgment and we want to be prepared for it. We will have to give account of every deed we have done whether good or evil. Dear believers let us pray that many may get under conviction until they make peace with God.

We will have to have the love of God in our hearts and lives to meet God in peace. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor, but love and unity help to fulfill all of God's commandments. So dear saints let us have the love of God in our hearts at all times. Let us live godly within our homes as well as at church.

I united with the Missionary Baptist at the age of eighteen, was true to God in all the vows I made with Him. I am now fifty-four years old. I am glad that I accepted the Lord as my personal Savior.

I want to say I love every child of God, and do love the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. I desire the prayers of all the saints.—Mrs. W. J. O'Quinn, Route 2.

HEALED OF TUBERCULOSIS

MARIETTA, Ga.—I am praising the dear Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and for His wonderful healing power. He healed me of tuberculosis of long standing when I was almost in the grave and since that healing I have suffered with a severe throat trouble and would at times feel like my breath was almost cut off, and the devil was trying to weaken my faith, but I sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse at Cleveland, Tenn., during the Assembly to anoint for me and I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify through the Evangel, so when the handkerchief was returned a dear sister prayed with me and laid the handkerchief on my side and I felt the touch of the dear Lord.

I want everybody to know the miracle that the dear Lord has wrought on me and I ask the good Christian people to pray that I may stay humble and that I may be a soul winner for Jesus. I surely want to be a worker for this worthy cause for the dear Lord has been so good to me. I could tell always and never tell all He has done for me. We haven't a Church of God at this little place, but we are praying for one and I ask the prayers of all the saints that we may have one in the near future.—Mrs. C. W. Ruff, 612 Stewart Ave.

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OBITUARIES

DOSS

On November 1st, 1927 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Doss and claimed for its victim their darling little girl, Ruby Estell, age twelve years and eight months. Her death was caused by pneumonia. Everything was done for her that loving hands could do, but God knew best. While sick she talked many times of going home and told her mother she had won the victory at last.

We weep not as those who have no hope for we believe our loss is heaven's gain. She leaves to mourn her death, father, mother and one brother. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Melvin Llewellyn, and her body was laid to rest in the Mount Zion Cemetery, Warrior, Ala., to await the coming of the Lord.

Dear mamma don't grieve after Ruby
For I am now peacefully at rest.
I know your love was extended,
But Jesus loved me best.

Dear daddy remember little Ruby,
And don't forget her cries,
And obey the commandments of Jesus,
And meet little Ruby in the skies.

Dear brother remember little sister,
As I can be with you here no more.
Remember the love of your Savior,
And meet me on heaven's bright shore.

The family circle has been broken.
So time here never can mend,
But can at last be brought together,
If we will on Jesus depend.

Dear ones I am going to look for you,
So please meet me up there.
Lay down this world's pleasures,
And for the coming of Jesus prepare.
—One who loved her, Cora Doss.

PICKETT

On October 25th, 1927 the death angel came to the home of Sister Lizzie Pickett of Warrior, Ala. and claimed for its victim her body. She was born December 25th 1863 and was sixty-five years and ten months old at her death.

She leaves to mourn her loss, three sons and four daughters. She was laid to rest in the Macedonia Cemetery to await the soon coming of Jesus. We feel sure that Sister Pickett is with Jesus. Her husband has gone on before her.

Sister Pickett was not a member of the Church of God, but she desired to be a member, and said she was going to unite if she had another chance. She lived an upright Christian life.

We are in sympathy with the loved ones.—Written by one of her friends.
—Minnie Duke.

CARPENTER

On October 4th, at 5:10 a. m. the dear Lord called our dear mother, Sister Virginia Carpenter, age seventy-six years. She was a true Christian. She was saved at the age of fourteen years. When sanctification was taught in the Methodist Church, she was gloriously sanctified, and about fourteen years ago she received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Twelve years ago in September she was married to Brother A. A. Carpenter. She traveled with him in the evangelistic work a good part of the twelve years, and always seemed greatly interested in the salvation of souls. The Bible says, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord," and we can truly say that of her. She was warned for a long time that she was going to soon be with Jesus.

She arose on the morning of Sept. 19th 1927 at her home in Detroit, Mich., and said, God had told her to put her house in order as He was going to call her home. She called her family and asked them if she had done anything to any of them wrongfully, and the same day she put everything in readiness even called her pastor and asked him to preach her funeral. She did not seem to be very sick, and it seemed strange to all who heard her talk about going soon, but she knew her Master's voice, and finally took her bed. She asked her loved ones and friends not to grieve over her. She gladly went away to be with Jesus. We expect to meet dear mother as we know she is resting with Jesus.

O, death where is thy sting?
O, grave where is thy victory.—Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sadie Carpenter.

GOFF

On April 17, 1927 at 2:00 p. m. the death angel visited the home of Mrs. and Mrs. L. T. Goff and claimed our darling little baby girl Mary Lena, age seven months and three weeks old.

She leaves to mourn her departure a father, mother, two sisters and one brother. How it grieved our hearts to bid her farewell. She was a very sweet baby, and loved by everyone who knew her.

We don't grieve because we have no hopes of her, we grieve because we miss her. Everything was done for her that could be done. Many prayers were offered in her behalf by Brother J. L. Underwood and the saints here,

but for some purpose God wanted her up yonder with Him. We pray to be able to meet again in the sweet by and by.

Her little body was carried to Pelham, Ga., and laid to rest in the City Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. Funeral services were conducted by Brother J. B. Weeks of Whigham, Ga.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled.
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.—Her mother, Mrs. L. T. Goff.

INGRAM

On October 13, 1927 little Mack Nelson Ingram, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Glennie Ingram of Cedar Keys, Fla., was severely burned and only lived an hour afterward. He was one year, two months and eight days old. Little Nelson was loved by all who knew him, and his sudden death was a shock to the hearts of his loved ones.

He leaves to mourn his death, father, mother, one brother, three sisters, two grandmothers and a host of other relatives and friends. The body was laid to rest in the Shilo Cemetery near Sumner, Fla. Funeral service was conducted by the writer.

A darling one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled.
A vacancy is left in the home,
Which can never be filled.
—D. F. Baldrice.

HALE

Little Ruth Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hale of Logan, W. Virginia, was born June 18, 1920, and departed this life November 1, 1927 being seven years, four months and fourteen days old. She was killed by a car in front of her home. She is gone to be with her father, which succeeded her six years ago. Funeral service was conducted by the pastor and wife, E. O. Sells.

Little Ruth was a faithful Sunday School pupil, and loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her death, a mother, five brothers, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

We miss Ruth at home, at school and at play, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sleep on little Ruth and take your rest,
We loved you well, but Jesus loved you best.—E. O. Sells.

JOHNSON

On June 8, 1927 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Bob Johnson of Weatherford, Tex., and claimed for its victim little R. L. Johnson, Jr. their grandson.

He was laid to rest in the Green Wood Cemetery, Weatherford, Texas to await the coming of Jesus. He is survived by his mother, grandfather and grandmother. Funeral service was conducted by Brother and Sister Wadron. It was hard to give her up, but God knew best. We hope to meet him some glad day where partings will be no more.

Loved ones do not grieve, because he is resting with Jesus, and some day if you live true you will go to meet him.—One who loved him, S. A. Blair.

MULLEN

The death angel visited the home of W. E. Mullen of Winona, Miss. on Oct. 13th and claimed his darling wife, Martha Josephine. She was only sick a short time, but bore her suffering with patience.

She joined the Methodist Church when very young and lived in all the light she had. We grieve not as those who have no hope for she left the bright testimony, that she was going to rest. She is not dead, but asleep in Jesus. She was seventy-two years and six months of age when she died. She leaves two sons, four daughters, five step sons, one step daughter and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her departure. She was laid to rest in the New Hope Cemetery to await the final call.

JESUS IS SOON COMING TO RECEIVE US

WOODSTOCK, Ga.—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel. I praise the Lord for a full and free salvation and for the blessed Holy Ghost. I have had the Holy Ghost almost three years and I find Him joy and comfort to the soul. I feel His presence just now.

I thank Him for the way He has prepared for His people, a holy way. Please pray for my unsaved children and for my husband to receive the Holy Ghost. He is sanctified.

Oh, Jesus is soon coming to receive us to that heavenly home above, but we have to bear the cross and continue in His love. Pray that I will stay humble and do what the Lord would have me do.—Fannie Heath.

Wonderful Cottage Meetings

MARYVILLE, Tenn.—I want to report victory today over sin and the devil. I am still filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise God for the wonderful cottage meetings. Souls are seeking the Holy Ghost. Pray that the Lord will continue His blessings.

DO YOU WANT A GOOD BIBLE?

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We want every minister to remember that we are making it possible for them to get a nice reference Bible with concordance and other helps.

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spond with us at once and we will send one immediately.

I believe we will let other's besides the ministers in on this proposition if they so desire.

We are very anxious to enlist a great army of workers in the great proposition that has ever been launched in the Church of God. Let us hear from you at once.—F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

FORBID NOT THE LITTLE CHILDREN

HEADRICK, Okla.—I am praising the dear Lord for what He has done for me. He saved, sanctified and also healed me of typhoid fever after I had been bedfast for fifty days. He is all and in all to me. I trust Him for both soul and body, and find Him a present help in time of need. I am sixteen years of age and want to be a member of the Church of God. Pray for me that I may receive the Holy Ghost. I want to be a worker for the Lord. Margie Lemaster.

DETERMINED TO PRAY AS ELIJAH

WINSTON, Ga.—Dear friends and Christians scattered abroad, as I read the dear Evangel, it is just food to my soul. I love to read the good testimonies and sermons. The Evangel is surely worth the money to me. It needs to go into every home. It will bring joy unspeakable and full of glory.

I am so glad I can report victory in my soul. I am saved, sanctified and the same Holy Ghost abides that came to the apostles on the day of Pentecost according to Acts 2:4.

I heard a preacher preach one night who tried to make one think the Holy Ghost was only for the apostles and that if any miracles were performed today, that it was by the devil. The Scripture says that false prophets will rise up and deceive many. The people mocked Jesus when He was on earth. They threw stones at Him, crucified Him and gave Him vinegar mixed with gall. Jesus says if we are in the likeness of His death, we will be in the likeness of His resurrection.

People will go up and down in their fine cars and do not think about God. It makes me think many times of Lazarus and the rich man. Poor Lazarus lay under the rich man's table and the rich man would not offer him anything to eat. The dogs came and licked Lazarus' sores, while he ate the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table. They both died. Lazarus went to Abraham's bosom and the rich man to hell. The rich man cried to Lazarus, "give me a drop of water to cool my tongue."

Brother, sister, which would you rather be? I am sure you had rather be Lazarus. Lots of people today are laying up treasures on earth, but Jesus says lay up your treasures in Heaven. I want to ask everyone the question, are you really laying up your treasures in Heaven?

Jesus says, come unto me all ye that labor and I will give you rest. Again He says, come unto me and ye shall not thirst, but have everlasting life. If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin. Brother, you have to come to Christ our Savior if you get to Heaven. All unrighteousness is sin. The Bible says the wages of sin is death and again, he that sinneth is of the devil. So if you will take the precious Word of God and study it as you should, I don't see how you can think that you cannot live without sin.

This is a needy field. There is no Church of God here and the Church of God doctrine has never been preached here, but I am determined to pray as Elijah did. If anyone wants to write to a boy who is willing to work for the Lord, write to me. Remember me in your prayers.—Buford Vollrath.

NOTHING TOO HARD FOR JESUS

WARE SHOALS, S. C.—'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His Word. Bless the Lord. I am still saved and sanctified by the precious blood of Jesus. I mean, by His help, to go on all the way with Him.

There are only a few Church of God folks here. We have service twice a month in my home and the Lord blesses us. I feel that some day there will be a good church here because the Lord sees and understands our troubles. There is nothing too hard for Him.

We ask you to pray for us, that the little band will be strong and faithful. The Lord is with us. We want to stay humble and love our enemies. My desire is to do the will of the Lord.—Mrs. Maggie Gilmer.

We had a wonderful healing service one night. Four were healed. The Lord is still blessing. Pray for us.—J. G. Garrett.

GOD WORKS WITH THE LITTLE HEARTS

HEADRICK, Okla.—This finds me still praising the dear Lord for what He is to me. I am a little girl thirteen years of age. I was saved September 30th and the Lord has also healed me many times. I ask all of the saints to pray that I may be sanctified and receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, also I want to become a member of the Church of God.—Faye Beatrice Lemaster.

WILLING TO DO WHATSOEVER THE LORD SAYS

RHINE, Ga.—Today I want to sound a note of praise to the almighty God and the Lord Jesus Christ who opened unto us the gate of salvation and placed in us one mind and one determination and caused us to dwell together in love. Today we are glad for the blessings of God. We are glad of God's goodness to us and His consolation. We do thank the Lord that when we were weak and needed comfort God moved upon the heart of Brother David LaFleur and directed his step and ordered Brother S. L. Eckles and family to move out for Georgia. Since they have come to our rescue, they have strengthened the church and lined us up with church government and have started us out with a new and double resolution. We can say today that Brother Eckles was a blessing from the Lord.

He held a ten days meeting and God blessed us with four souls converted, four sanctified and baptized in water and five added to the Church. We have eleven members now. We are not able to do by Brother Eckles as we would like. Pray for us and remember him that God will bless him and his family for he is suffering for the Lord. He is a man of God and has brought great help to us. We are glad for such a man for our overseer. I am more determined to do whatsoever the Lord says.—Viola Williams, Sec'y.

THINKS THE ASSEMBLY WONDERFUL

CHAUNCEY, Ill.—I have just received my Evangel and having read so many good testimonies from our brethren and sisters scattered abroad in this land, it put a desire in my heart to testify through our good paper for my Savior. I just want to say that He is real to me. I learned of Him fourteen years ago in His fullness and of how He could save, sanctify and baptize with the mighty Holy Ghost, so I began to search my Bible and could not find my way around it, so I consecrated my life, my home, my mother, brothers, sisters friends and peoples' ideas and opinions and took God at His Word, and since then I have never been sorry I paid the price, but instead am glad. Later, my husband sought this wonderful experience and obtained it. We have been preaching it for thirteen years. God has wonderfully blessed our efforts and given us many precious souls for our hire and we are more determined to press on than ever before since attending the Assembly at Cleveland this year. It was my first time, but O how I praise the Lord for the privilege of being there and if the Lord spares my life I think it shall not be my last time. My husband would always come back and tell me that the best way he could express himself would be to say "It is the next thing to heaven."

I praise our God because I can say of a truth that if the Lord has anything better than the Assembly was this year at Cleveland, He will surely have to bring it with Him when He comes. In my imagination I can hear those brethren now singing "My Didn't It Rain." We are looking for a shower in Illinois this year. Come over in this state if you are real Church of God and help us, but if not, attend the Assembly one time and get convinced. I have been a member of the Church of God for nine years. I love the way better every day, and humbly ask the prayers of all God's people that He will wonderfully bless the Church of God in Illinois this year, as I feel the end is drawing near. Let us all work while it is day before the night cometh upon us.—Nannie Fielden.

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Victory Over Heartaches and Trials

ALTOONA, Ala.—I thank God for a full and free salvation. I have been in this good way about five years. I'm not one bit tired of the way. I am trusting God with both soul and body and couldn't begin to tell what He has done for me in these years.

The Lord has healed me of many ailments for which I can never thank Him enough. I thank Him for the great Church of God and this good holiness way. It suits me better than anything I can think of. I have had a lot of hard trials and heart aches along the way. My husband left me and I asked the Lord to bring him back home. Praise the Lord He brought him back and brought me out on victory side.

I desire the prayers of the Christian people that I will be humble at the feet of Jesus.—Yours in Christ, Mrs. J. L. Bullen.

GOD BLESSES IN THE SOUTHLAND

BOVINA, Miss.—When I read of all the great revivals, it makes my heart so glad, it also makes me sad to see this needy field and no preacher here. Tongue could hardly express the great trouble and distress last spring when all the people had to flee for their lives. I visited Camp Hayes at Vicksburg where there were over 4,000 refugees and oh, much distress.

When one boat landed with a lot of our church people, they immediately fell on their knees right at the water's edge and thanked God for deliverance. The people said, "Isn't that wonderful." While they were praising God and talking in tongues, we saw one poor man who had been drowned while doing rescue work. It was the most distressing time I have ever seen.

I pray that God will send some workers to Vicksburg and the surrounding country to preach this blessed Gospel of the Son of God. I love the Church and Her people. I am willing to do all in my power to bring the Gospel here. I live near Bovine on the State Highway. Any brethren and sisters passing this way, remember us. We are also twelve miles east of Vicksburg. No holiness has ever been preached here.

We would be glad to get letters from the brethren and sisters in Mississippi and elsewhere. Pray that God will send a preacher here who is filled with the Holy Ghost. We long for a place of worship. There is no church to attend except the Methodist and Episcopal churches.

We love this south land. The Lord has been so good to us since we came here. He has supplied our needs and cared for us. On the night of Feb. 17th we were visited by a terrific cyclone. Several were killed around us, but the Lord heard our prayers and delivered us. Oh just to get close enough to touch the hem of His garment! We do love Him, He has done so much for us. He saved us from a life of sin, sanctified and baptized us with the Holy Ghost. Sometimes the Lord blesses us in our home. Pray for us here as there are only three or four families of Church of God folks near us.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Worit.

NEW CHURCH SET IN ORDER

BOSWELL, Penna.—On November 12th, 1927 a church was set in order at Somerset, Penna. with 32 members, four of which were transferred from Boswell. On the following Sunday the new church building and parsonage were dedicated to the Lord and that night 13 more were added, making a total of 45 members.

The dedication service was honored by the presence of God, as we lifted our hands heavenward the power of God fell and there was weeping, dancing, shouting and talking in tongues. Brother Z. R. Thomas was with us and delivered two wonderful sermons on that day. The revival has been going on for four months and the altar is full of seekers every night. About forty-nine have received the Holy Ghost. We are encouraged to let God lead us and march out into new

Dist. Convention At Lancaster, Ohio

The District Convention of the Circleville District was held at Lancaster, Ohio Sept. 15-18. The convention opened Thursday evening Sept. 15th.

Brother R. E. Hamilton, District pastor gave the welcome address. Following his address Sister Martha Wagner of Circleville, Ohio gave a short talk which was enjoyed by all. Brother Rollins, from Columbus brought to us a good message on Sound Doctrine.

Friday evening Sister Edith Graves of West Junction, Ohio gave a short talk also Brother Elliot of Bremen, Ohio gave an instructive talk on the necessity of the branches abiding in the Vine. Brother Pearl Moss of Circleville, Ohio brought a wonderful message on the Church of God, using for a text, Luke 19:42.

Saturday, Sept. 17th we gathered together again and listened to a very inspiring message given by Sister E. Haynes. Her subject was on the signs of the time. The Lord surely met with us. The power fell and the saints were made to shout, dance and talk in tongues.

On Sunday morning we enjoyed a good testimony service conducted by Sister Edith Graves.

This was a great feast to our souls to hear the testimonies of our brothers and sisters who were gathered together from the District. Following the praise service, Brother E. Haynes, our State Overseer brought to us a very inspiring message on the need of being established in the great truths of God, using for a text 2d Peter 1:12. After the morning message we enjoyed a good dinner spread on a nearby lawn.

We gathered together for the afternoon service which we enjoyed. Reports from the churches were given. This service was enjoyed in a special way. Many expressed themselves as the last day being the best day of the convention.

Sunday evening the service opened with good music and prayer. Then Brother Rollins gave an interesting talk on the Church of God. Brother Paul Carpenter of Midvale, Ohio brought the closing message of the convention, using for a text Gal. 5:1. He and his wife entertained the congregation with their music and singing.

A revival continued after the convention with Brother R. E. Hamilton in charge. Later Brother Carpenter and wife assisted in the meeting.

We are truly looking forward to a more prosperous year during 1928. Pray that God will bless and the Church of God will shine brightly in the Circleville District.—Mrs. R. E. Hamilton.

When Lonesome Talk To Jesus

ELIZABETHTON, Tenn.—I praise God this evening for a free and full salvation. The sweet Holy Ghost still abides. I am in a new place and don't know anyone, but praise the Lord, I can look up. I don't know where the Church of God is here.

I want all of God's saints to pray for me. My husband is a sinner and I need the prayers of God's people. It is no time for going back in this world. I want to be what the Lord wants me to be. I am glad I paid the price and got in the good old holiness way. I expect to live and die in the Church of God. The devil tempts us, but I am glad of salvation to overcome with. I don't know any Church of God people here and sometimes I feel lonesome, but I can look up to God and have company. He will be with us every day. I want the saints to pray for my father and mother, husband, brothers and sisters to be saved before it is too late. Pray for me. I don't want to go back in sin. There are too many souls going the downward road. Every child of God has a great work to do, so let us watch, pray and be ready to go when He comes or calls.—Mrs. Beekle Harris, Route 3.

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